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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

October 24, 2002

Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please find a copy of a document to be considered by the Examiner during examination of the above-identified application. This document is discussed in the Specification of the above-identified application; see, for example, page 1, lines 9-20 of Applicants' Specification. Also enclosed is a Form, substantially equivalent to Form PTO-1449, listing the enclosed document.

Further enclosed is an English Abstract of the enclosed document.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified application. Accordingly, requirements of 37 CFR 1.97(b) are satisfied.

While the enclosed document is not in English, it is respectfully submitted that

requirements of 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) are satisfied by the enclosed English Abstract, as well as by discussion of the document in the Specification of the above-identified application, referred to previously.

In view of all of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 have been satisfied in connection with the document listed on the enclosed Form. Accordingly, consideration of the listed document, upon examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 566.40595X00), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

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